

Kingston Daily Freeman.

KINGSTON, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 30, 1889.

Weather Indications.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—Indications for Tuesday: Rain, stationary temperature, south-westerly winds.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

For Secretary of State,
JOHN I. GILBERT,
of Franklin.

For Comptroller,
MARTIN W. COOKE,
of Monroe.

For State Treasurer,
IRA M. HEDGES,
of Rockland.

For Attorney General,
JAMES M. VARNUM,
of New York.

For State Engineer and Surveyor,
WM. V. VANRENSSELAER,
of Seneca.

For Judge of the Court of Appeals,
ALBERT M. HAIGHT,
of Erie.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Republican Electors of the several towns of the County of Ulster and the Waris of the City of Kingston are requested to choose delegates, as heretofore, to attend a Convention to be held at the Court House, in the City of Kingston, on Thursday, October 12, 1889, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating County Officers and choosing Delegates to the Senatorial and Judicial Conventions and for transacting such other business as may be brought forward for consideration. The Town and City Committees are also requested to call the caucuses in their respective towns, districts and wards to select delegates to said County Convention, at such places as they may designate and to give notice thereof in the manner prescribed by the amended resolution on the 15th day of October, which is hereby filed as the day on which such caucuses are to be held. By order of the County Committee.

A. S. NEWCOMB, Secretary.
The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the Republican County Convention, held October 3, 1888, and is the resolution referred to in the above call and to which attention of town and city committees is called.
Resolved, That hereafter the County Central Committee issue the call for the County Convention at least thirty days before the time fixed by them for the holding of such Convention; and that in such call they fix the time for the holding of caucuses in the various towns of the County and the wards of the City of Kingston; which time shall be at least five days before the holding of the County Convention.
W. R. SHEPHERD, Chairman.
A. S. NEWCOMB, Secretary.

THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

Here is the Democratic ticket, all cut and hung up to dry by Gov. Hill for a week, to be ratified by the Convention at Syracuse tomorrow:

For Secretary of State—Frank Rice.
For Comptroller—Edwin D. Burt.
For Treasurer—Elliot D. Burt.
For Attorney General—Charles F. Tabor.
For State Engineer and Surveyor—Deas O'Brien.
For Judge of the Court of Appeals—Deas O'Brien.

There is no mention here of Benedict—our own Benedict—who, we were told a short time ago, could have his choice between Comptroller and State Treasurer. Benedict, we learn from the Sun, has "pulled out." He is a Hill Democrat to-day, but the prints of Cleveland's fingers upon his throat are indelible. Mr. Rice comes as near the Cleveland requirement as will be permissible upon a Hill ticket, and he is not a Cleveland Democrat at all. He served in the Assembly in 1883 and 1884 when Mr. Cleveland was Governor, and was elected County Judge of Ontario county by a small majority at the same election that gave Mr. Blaine a majority of 739. It is on this record of success in a Republican county that Gov. Hill selects him to head the ticket. Senator Stadler desires the same place, and the beer men would prefer him, but even the Governor has become doubtful of the wisdom of putting another millionaire brewer at the head of the ticket.

Wemple, Tabor and O'Brien have been heard of a great deal, as they have been identified with the various scandals of the Hill administration. O'Brien with the aqueduct contract by which the Governor raised his campaign funds in 1885, and the others with the ceiling and executive mansion jobs. These things are not expected to cost them a single Democratic vote—on the contrary, the Governor will call upon the party to rise and vindicate the men who have been so servile and useful to him. We suppose the people know what such a vindication means. It means the fastening of these public leeches permanently upon the state, with a grip that cannot be shaken or broken, unless, like Tweed, indictments fall upon them and crush them out. It is poor policy to re-elect faithless and dishonored men for the purpose of vindicating them. The Republican party does no such work. It has cast out the ceiling and left them at home among their constituents until they bring forth fruits meet for repentance. Voters will please bear in mind that the Republican opponent of Wemple is Martin W. Cook of Rochester; that of Tabor is James M. Varnum of New York; that of O'Brien is Albert M. Haight, a trained and eminent jurist of Buffalo.

Danforth, named for State Treasurer, hails from Schoharie county, and is Treasurer Fitzgerald's present Deputy. As Fitzgerald has been almost continuously absent from the office since his last election, Mr. Danforth can make a good point for himself by setting up the claim that he has done the Treasurer's work during the term. Mr. Bogart is the present State Engineer and Surveyor. Two years ago when nominated he pleaded lack of time to attend to the office, and it is a matter of record that he has not attended to it. But this does not constitute an objection in the Democratic mind so long as the incumbent draws his salary and submits to a liberal assessment for the party.

The announcement of the ticket four days in advance of the convention (the names were given out last Friday) proves the entire subordination of the party to the Governor. He has kicked the Germans off the ticket, coolly informing them that he has done enough for them by his vetoes of temperance legislation. It remains to be seen whether a course that puts a premium on intemperance will suffice to hold respectable Germans solidly to his support after they are refused the usual recognition. And above all, it remains to be seen whether the Empire State is still in favor of continuing to be the pocket borough of David B. Hill.

DEMOCRACY GETS A CLEAR FIELD.

The New York Sun, we are sorry to observe, jumps viciously upon the neck of Rev. Dr. Eaton, Rector of St. Clement's Episcopal church, New York, because he proposes to remove his place of worship from West Third street to some more pleasant locality. His reason is that the vicinity is full of saloons, gambling hells, bawdy houses and other headquarters of vice and crime. In consequence his congregation has been growing smaller and smaller, until it has now almost entirely disappeared. They have not been converted to the vicious surroundings, but are unwilling to penetrate them from fear of insult, outrage and personal injury. The Sun describes his action as "a church giving way to the devil." It reminds him that the Father of Christianity did not run away from sinners, but sought them out in their haunts, preached to them, and strove in other ways to do them good. The Rector is reproached as one of the holier-than-thou sort because "he gathers his garments about him and passes by on the other side of fallen and suffering humanity."

We are surprised and sorry to see the Sun, as an organ of the Democracy, and an admiring supporter of David B. Hill, take this attitude against the worthy but discouraged clergyman. For if the Sun's political teachings are right, if Mr. Hill is right, and if the Democratic party is right, then Rector Eaton is of no use in West Third street, and is amply justified in removing himself and his people from a locality in which they are continuously subjected to insult, annoyance and danger, without receiving any compensating benefit. For it is the logic of the Democratic position, that the saloon is as useful a missionary agent as the church. It is only a few days since an assemblage of Democratic liquor sellers in New York resolved that if the saloons must close on Sunday, then the churches shall close also. This doctrine in its full length and breadth is sustained in Gov. Hill's vetoes and in his call for the Whisky Democracy convention that has been assembling in Syracuse since Saturday afternoon, and that last night caused every saloon in that city to be flung wide open and illuminated in violation of the laws of the state. In New York and other cities the appeals, the petitions and remonstrances of the most useful and influential church bodies against the licensing of saloons in buildings adjacent or just across the way, have been treated with contempt, and saloons of the most offensive and law-defying class have been set up for the purpose of annoying church goers even where there was no chance of a profitable trade and the motive was wholly spite. The Governor several years ago vetoed a bill to suppress a saloon-brothel combination that had set itself up right by the doors of one of the largest churches in the city.

The location in West Third street, New York, will be given over entirely to Democratic care when Dr. Eaton and his church move out. If Gov. Hill and his party are right, then no loss is sustained by the community from the Rector's action. The saloon, the gambling hell and the bawdy house will still be there to do their appointed work. The Gospel of Democracy will be preached and sustained by them at all hours of the day and night, Sundays included.

ANOTHER MATRIMONIAL SORROW.

The complications growing out of unhappy or unsatisfactory marriage relations are always interesting, and furnish fruitful subjects not only for gossip but for moral reflection and discussion. We have had recently the Flack and Hamilton cases, presenting two phases of the subject strikingly different, when viewed from the standpoint of the husband or the wife. Mr. Hamilton exhibits an inclination to stand by a wife and the baby of involuntary adoption, therefore he appears in a much better light before society than Mr. Flack. Mrs. Flack, after having been a faithful, worthy and devoted wife for nearly forty years, is to be put away for no fault of her own, therefore her position before society is one with which that of Mrs. Hamilton is not worthy of comparison.

Now comes up another case, in which religion steps forward and takes precedence over marriage and the legal and moral obligations that it involves. Rev. Thomas E. Butler of New Jersey was four years ago a priest of the Catholic church. At that time he abandoned the ministry and cut himself off from the communion of his church by marrying a young woman with whom he had fallen in love. Since that time the two have lived together, the wife testifies happily and without discord. Two children have been born to them and are alive. Now Mr. Butler abandons his helpless family, leaving them without means of support, and returns to his church, professing repentance and contrition for his escapade. He is received with open arms, assured of the forgiveness of the church, and will be sent to a monastery to "do penance." In due time he hopes to be restored to the ministry, and is in any event sure of subsistence and shelter, provided his affection for his wife and babies does not get the mastery over his piety and cause him to return to them. And the church is not shocked by his apology: "I alone am responsible," he writes, "for the sacrilegious ceremony of attempted marriage and the great wrong which I inflicted on an innocent girl." "Attempted marriage!" The testimony shows that Thomas E. Butler and Mary Brady were married by a Protestant clergyman and afterwards by a Justice of the Peace. This is not attempted marriage; it is legal, valid marriage by the laws of New Jersey and every other state of the Union. In that marriage no wrong was inflicted on an innocent girl, for the transaction was honorable to both. The wrong is perpetrated now, when he tries to make religion an apology for the desertion of his wife and children, and shields himself from the duties that the state in which he lives and every civil government on earth lays upon him by taking refuge behind the doors of the church.

The Catholic church holds divorces in abhorrence and refuses its sanction to those that are permitted by the civil laws. In this it stands upon a higher moral and religious plane than the state, and our laws find no fault with it when it excommunicates those who have obtained divorces from the courts and established new marital relations. But here is a separation more cruel and scandalous than even a Plack divorce, and the church is giving it practical sanction by taking the young

man back and permitting his wife and children to be treated as outcasts. The state will stand by deserted Mary Brady and her children, and compel her husband to support them. In this it is nobler than the church.

TWO RINGING PLATFORMS.

What the Republicans of New York and Massachusetts Declared in Convention.
(From the Hartford Courant.)

A comparison of the platforms adopted by the New York and Massachusetts Republican conventions yields several interesting results. The Saratoga one is a model of condensation and brevity, the Boston one more extended and in spots more striking.

The Tariff. The New Yorkers announce with emphasis that they are for the doctrine of protection to American industries and to American labor. The Massachusetts Republicans notify the state's Senators and Representatives in Congress that they are expected to do three things: (1) "To use every exertion to bring about an immediate reduction of the surplus revenue;" (2) "to urge and support a thorough and equitable revision of the tariff so as to adapt the protection which it affords to changed business connections, affecting New England industries in common with those of the rest of the country;" and (3) "to maintain the American system of protection to American industries, and American labor with which the party marched to victory at the last election, and which is identified with every period of our national prosperity." That is to say, they hold fast to the protective principle, but they do not regard the present tariff schedules as something too perfect and too sacred to be touched. Quite the contrary.

Civil Service Reform. The New Yorkers announce, again emphasizing the announcement, that they desire "the purification and elevation of the civil service." This by itself might be, in the nature of a glittering generality, but it is coupled with a reaffirmation in its entirety of the Chicago platform of 1888, which contained the soundest and stiffest reform plank ever adopted by a national convention. The utterance of the Massachusetts Republicans on this vital topic is distinct, explicit and uncompromisingly satisfactory. After commending President Harrison's strict adherence to the civil service law, his recent enlargement of its scope, and his appointment to the commission, they bid him go ahead.

"We assure him," they say, "that in every effort to defend, maintain and extend the law regulating the civil service, and to root out the evil of patronage from our politics, he and his commissioners will receive the hearty support of the Republicans of Massachusetts, and of her Senators and Representatives in Congress."

National Defense. The New York platform calls, briefly, for "the rehabilitation of the navy." The Massachusetts one admonishes the state's Republican Senators and Representatives at Washington to "vote for and support ample appropriations for the American navy, so that we may have at once a powerful fleet to defend the American coast and the American flag, and to be a guarantee of peace with all the world."

The Old Soldiers. New York says: "Liberal and equitable pension laws, and a discriminating preference of Union veterans in appointments to public offices. With proper emphasis on the 'equitable' and the 'discriminating' this is all right. Massachusetts says it looks to its members of the national Legislature to "continue the just and liberal policy of the government toward the soldiers and sailors who defended it in its hour of peril."

Honest Elections. The Republicans at Saratoga declared themselves in favor of "a national election law, to secure the honest choice of Representatives in Congress." The Republicans at Boston told their Congressmen to "give aid to our steamship lines, and begin the building up of our merchant marine."

The Liquor Traffic. The New York Republicans content themselves with saying that they are for "thoroughly practicable temperance legislation," and that "no step backward will be taken." The Republicans of Massachusetts express themselves at a little more length and with at least equal energy. "We declare," they say, "our unqualified hostility to the corrupting moral and political tyranny of the liquor saloon. We insist that every saloon which is not maintained and enforced; that no backward step shall be taken and that further legislation shall be had whenever and wherever it can secure further suppression of this terrible evil."

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CITY HAPPENINGS AND CHAT.

BITS OF NEWS, STORIES AND SOME HUMOR AND GOSSIP.

People who made the most of the fine weather of Sunday—Cases of Diphtheria, And Some Rules and Suggestions—The Senate House Association—Deductions, Etc.

Sunday was one of the few perfect days experienced in this portion of the country during a year that has been fraught with peril and disaster on land and sea from frequent storms of rain and wind. In making the most of the fine weather people seemed to forget all about the havoc to fruit and grain crops, and gave themselves to the full enjoyment of the cloudless skies and a pure atmosphere. The frequent rains have kept much of the foliage and grasses green, and there was but little to remind the observer of Nature's preparations for the approach of a late Northern winter. The streets were filled with promenaders and church-goers. Many wended their way to woods and fields and to the many high hills in and near this city, which are so justly celebrated for the extended views obtainable therefrom. The air was so clear that objects at a great distance were brought out clear and distinct. In the early morning hours bicyclists strolled out of town with their wheels for runs on country roads and canoeists out on the bosom of the Hudson where their tiny crafts appeared like specks to observers on shore. The little passenger yachts plying along the Rondout Creek and Hudson River were eagerly patronized. Old people and children were enabled to take long walks without apparent fatigue. The attendance at divine service was large and ministers preached eloquent sermons. Taken all in all the delightful weather of yesterday made amends for the many unpleasant days experienced during a September, which will be notable for rain, winds and general cloudiness.

New cases of diphtheria are reported. The Health Physician says he has been notified that the 15-year-old daughter of Frederick Fry, on St. Mary's street, and a member of the family of Alvin Rongaux at Kingston Point are ill with the disease. Meanwhile every one should bear in mind—

First—The disease is contagious. Opinions may differ as to the mode of transmission of this contagious principle, but medical authorities are now unanimous in the opinion that diphtheria is communicable by those suffering from it to the well, not only during the attack, but for one to two weeks after convalescence is established; and the first rule must be to separate those attacked, so far as possible, from the well, both during the height of the disease and for not less than a week after recovery; and those having close care of the sufferer should, so far as possible, avoid being in close rooms with other children, although there is little evidence of the disease being communicated in this way.

Second—There are no drugs known that can be classed as preventives of the disease, and no hygienic rules or precautions will, for a surety, ward off the disease, but the following suggestions may be of benefit, and certainly do no harm.

See that the cellars, living rooms and out-houses are kept clean and as wholesome as possible. Occasionally fumigate the cellars by burning sulphur in them and the living rooms by burning a mixture of tar and turpentine: or a fire above with a few live coals. Lastly, as a preventive drug, any that from the nature of the disease could be of benefit must be of an anti-septic or germ-destroying character, and perhaps one-half teaspoonful daily of a mixture made by putting one teaspoonful of Nitrate of Chloride of Potash in a glass of water for a child of five or six years, may be recommended when the disease is prevalent in the neighborhood.

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One of the largest tows this season arrived here yesterday in the wake of the propeller J. C. Hart and steamboat McDonald. There were 50 boats and barges and the schooners Florence Shay, A. K. Woodward, Olive Branch, Adam Bowley, A. H. Peary and Rightaway for Rondout; Woscaw, for Saugerties; Laconia, for Athens, and Jennie Greenback, for Albany.

There were reported at the Rondout Department of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company to-day the following vessels for cargoes of coal: Barges Union, 250 tons; Comptrol, 200; Van Zile, 270; M. Smith, 290; E. J. Barker, 130; Sutton, 200; H. M. Conklin, 1,050; J. L. Breyfogle, 225; two Erie boats, 110 each.

The whistle of the steamer "City of Kingston" was blown at the mouth of the Rondout Creek at 7 o'clock on Saturday night.

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The boat Mary is on Baiden's dry-dock. Mr. Baiden has sold the boat Sentinel.

The iron hull schooner Red Wing is being loaded with stone at Wilbur.

Kingston Philharmonic Society.

The first regular rehearsal of the Kingston Philharmonic Society for the autumn session will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Professor George F. Hulslander, of Boston will take charge of the rehearsal. Tickets of membership will be ready for distribution on payment of the required fee. The membership roll shows that this dignified and progressive musical association has come to stay. As will be seen by perusal of the partial list of active members, published in THE FREEMAN a few evenings ago, nearly all the best musical talent of the City is already enrolled for the present season's work. The list will be kept open a few days longer and after a certain date, to be fixed by the management, no more active members will be received this year. Honorary member's tickets, however, may be obtained at any time.

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In Recorder's Court To-day.

Christopher McCuen, charged with larceny from the person, was examined. Captain James Early, a Delaware & Hudson canalman, testified that he saw McCuen steal \$120 from his boat. Deputy Sheriff Glenan arrested the prisoner recently in Troy. McCuen was held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Stephen Scherger, disorderly conduct, 10 days in the Ulster County Jail. Scherger is the man who the Grand Jury failed to find an indictment against for charged bigamy. Boys named James Ingalls and John Donnelly were arraigned for disorderly conduct. The boys promised to behave themselves. Discharged.

The Death Record.

Archibald McMillan, deceased word to-day that his eldest sister, Mrs. Mary Marks, daughter of the late Donald McMillan, had died in Washington. The deceased for a number of years had been employed in the Government printing office.

Yesterday Dinan Jane Thorp, aged 40 years, died at her home in Port Edward. The funeral will be held at the M. E. Church there to-morrow afternoon.

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Autumn Outings.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of the Holy Spirit will make an excursion to New-York City on the Mary Powell on Wednesday.

The members of Wiltwyck House Company on their visit to Middletown on October 10 will be accompanied by a large number of friends.

A picnic is being held by Kingston Hose Company's running team.

Amusements Here.

The "Si Perkins" Comedy Company will be on the boards at Kingston Opera House to-morrow evening. The company has been here half a dozen times during the past three years, and has always been greeted with crowded houses. The band has been enlarged.

The Peck's Bad Boy Company will give a performance at Liscomb's Opera House on October 4.

More Fish Stories Told.

A daughter of S. J. Morris, of Montgomery, caught a black bass in the Wallkill one day recently. The fish weighed five pounds and was 20 inches in length.

When Dr. Kidd gets through with "pot fishermen" on the Wallkill he should look after the violators of the fish laws in the Esopus and Rondout Creeks.

A Boy Injured.

On Sunday a 14-year-old son of Joseph Lasch found a dynamite cartridge. With a damning needle the boy proceeded "to see what was inside." An explosion followed. Drs. C. W. Crispell and A. Stern found it necessary to amputate the thumb and two fingers on Lasch's left hand.

Personal.

The Right Rev. William Paret, of Baltimore, Bishop of Maryland, will officiate at the Livingston-Smith wedding in St. John's Church to-morrow.

Hon. C. Meach Woolsey, of Milton, was in town to-day.

Artist Jervis McEntee has started for "the wilderness" in Maine.

Real Estate Notes.

On Saturday Lawrence Kirchner purchased of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company a small strip of ground on the corner of Abel and Kavine streets.

Charles F. Heldon has purchased a building lot in North Rondout.

Republican Ward Caucuses.

The Republican City Committee has decided upon October 11 as the time for holding ward caucuses, at which delegates to the Republican County Convention will be elected.

Taken to Prison.

Sheriff Dill and Deputy Sheriff C. D. Westbrook started last night for Danemora with Prisoners William Chester, Elmer Countryman, John Raymond and William Galway.

Prohibition Convention.

An effort will be made by Ulster County Prohibitionists to hold a Convention at the Court House here Wednesday.

HUDSON RIVER RIPPLES BY MAIL, ETC.

News on the East and West Banks of the Hudson and Inland.

Justice J. O. Dykman, at White Plains, has given a decision changing the place of trial of the suit of Andrew Wightman, an ex-convict, against Warden Brush and Principal Keeper Cunningham, of Sing Sing Prison, from Kings County to Westchester County. Wightman asks for \$10,000 damages for injury to his health from being confined in a dark cell. He was suspected of assisting in the escape of Henry Stuart, a convict who went out of the prison in a laundry-box on May 27, 1887. Stewart was found in the Juliet Prison recently. Last week his term there expired and he was turned over to the New-York City authorities.

The new gun-bolt Yorktown will come to West Point on Wednesday to convey the delegates to the Central and South-American Congress from that place to New-York City.

"The Dutchess County Hunt" will meet on October 5, at Hyde Park; October 13 at the top of Teal Hill, midway between Poughkeepsie and Hyde Park.

There will be a series of sweepstakes at Keystone targets on the grounds of the Sing Sing Gun Club on Wednesday. Five sets of targets will be used.

No ice will be carried over at the Athens houses this fall. To fill those houses alone during the coming winter will give 2,000 men 15 days' labor.

Mrs. Goldsmith, of Howell's Depot, Orange County, celebrated her one hundredth birthday the other day.

Mark Wilber, of Clinton Hollow, Dutchess County, aged 70, died on Friday from the effects of a fall.

Dr. G. E. Benson, one of the oldest practitioners in Hudson, has retired from the profession.

On Liberty-street, Middletown, there are 11 persons whose united ages amount to 820 years.

The Walden Firemen's parade will be held on Saturday.

It is reported the paper mill property of A. S. Schoonmaker, at Napanoch, has been purchased by parties who are negotiating for water rights in that section.

The Drama of "Bill Jones the Union Scout" will be presented under the auspices of Ward Post, G. A. R., of Ellenville, on October 15, 16 and 17.

It is now said that the four lads injured at Highland by the explosion of a small cannon, a few days ago, will recover.

Ponderous papers are being prepared for a retrial of the Bruyn-Dewitt case in the courts of this County.

A game of ball will soon be played at Ellenville between the Hanleys and the Cuban Giants.

The annual conference on Indian affairs will be held at the Lake Mohonk House this week.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

A. D. Smith, of Sidney, was recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever, when he was thrown into a relapse by smoking cigarettes. He is now an inmate of the Middletown Insane Asylum.

It is said that 2,500 car loads of bluestone have been shipped from the town of Hancock during 1889, the value of which was \$200,000.

SCHOHARIE COUNTY.

John Keltz, of Pleasant Valley, killed a bittern on his recent trip to New York on the head with a stone. The bird measured three feet, eight inches from tip to tip of wings.

Silver has been discovered on the Schoharie Creek near Blehmien.

NEWS BY VILLAGES.

News by villages received from correspondents of THE FREEMAN to-day follows:

Newtown.

The remains of Mrs. Simon Osterhout, an aged and much respected citizen of Millbrook, were interred in the cemetery at this place last week.

The Rev. J. Forsyth, of Port Jackson, held a special service in the school house on Sunday.

Elderville.

The recent revival meetings at St. Remy were largely attended by people from this village.

The last large load of ice from the Brewster's house was shipped on Saturday.

Saugerties.

The work of macadamizing Ulster-avenue is in progress. It will be completed in about 30 days if the weather is favorable.

There is much "pot fishing" and "pot hunting" in this town.

C. L. Riker manufactures fermented wine from grapes. Steam power is used. The wine is put in bottles hot. There is much loss from breakage.

Napanoch.

Rum holes and beer saloons here are kept open on Sunday. Drunken men are frequently seen on the streets.

The demand for fruit packages is large. Cross walks in this village should be relaid.

New-Paltz.

Don't Hear Everything! [From Treasure Trove.]

The art of not hearing should be learned by all. It is fully as important to domestic happiness as a cultivated ear, for which so much money and time are expended. There are so many things which are painful to hear, many which we ought not to hear, very many which, if heard, will disturb the temper, corrupt simplicity and modesty, detract from contentment and happiness, that every one should be educated to take in or shut out sounds according to his pleasure. If a man falls into the violent passion, he calls us all manner of names, at the first word we should shut our ears and hear no more. If in our quiet stage of life we find ourselves caught in one of these domestic whirlwinds of scolding, we should shut our ears as a sailor would furl his sails, and making all tight, scud before the gale. If a husband and wife begin to inflame our feelings we should consider what mischief these fiery sparks may do in our magazine below where our temper is kept, and instantly close the door of not hearing, though untaught in our schools, is by no means unpracticed that a well-bred woman never hears a vulgar or impertinent remark. A kind of discreet deafness saves one from not a little connivance in dishonorable conversation.

A Fine Hat Is Laid. [From the Stamford Mirror.]

It is quite the fashion for Stamford youths who have been absent from town for a few years, to return home wearing plug hats, making their grandmas believe they belong to the swell society of the earth. For all it looks rather vain, it is much better than coming home with a whiskey bottle in their valise and no money in pocket. We always are glad to hear of our boys doing well in the world and making life a success, but they must remember that genuine worth and ability is not always to be found under a plug hat, but it would look a little more sensible to see the boys come marching home under a plain, common derby.

Concerning Fairs.

The fair of the Kingston Young Men's Christian Association will be opened in the rooms on Wall-street at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Supper will be served in the evening from 5 to 9 o'clock. Many useful and fancy articles will be offered for sale.

The coming fair of Weiner Hose Company excites interest among the friends of the Company. It will be held in the Academy of Music.

The fair of Franklin Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be held soon.

The Opener Letter Rejected.

Now that the Recorder has said that corner loafers "must go," street rowdies had better look out.

CONCERNING HIGHWAYS.

THE USE OF WIDE TIRES ALWAYS INSURES GOOD ROADS.

Interests of Certain Roadways Sacrificed to the Convenience of Individuals—Narrow Wheels Cut Like Knives—Loads on Vehicles and Widths of Tires Considered.

The road-making and wide tire questions are still leading topics of conversation in this City and throughout Ulster County generally. The following is part of an article by W. S. Shaler in *Scribner's Magazine* for October, which is timely in the premises:

"I propose in the following pages to take up the most important ways of commerce, viz., the ordinary roads. The United States as a whole remains less provided with such means of communication than any other area of equal general culture in the world. The difference between the road-making motive of the New-Englander, accustomed to the strong government of the town system, and of those from the Virginia group of states, who are accustomed to the weak communal system of the County organization, is conspicuous in the matter of roadways than in any other feature of the social life. At the present time in New-England there is scarcely a single toll road, except it be where, as in the White Mountains, the road is a toll road. On the other hand, in Kentucky and the other states which have inherited their theories of life from Virginia, there are no good ways which are really the property of the public."

"In most rural districts of the United States the common roads are built and maintained in the most ignorant and inefficient manner. In no other phase of public duties does the American citizen appear to such disadvantage as in the construction of roads. The voting part of the population is so constituted as to give one or two days to working out the road tax. The busy people and those who are forehanded may pay their assessment in money; but the most of the population find it more convenient to attend the annual road-making picnic in person. Theoretically the gangs of men are under the supervision of a roadmaster. More commonly some elder of the multitude is by common consent absolved from personal labor and made Superintendent of Operations."

"Arriving on the ground long after the usual time of beginning work the road-makers proceed to discuss the general question of road-making and other matters of public concern until slow-acting conscience convinces them that such delay is about their risk. They then with much deliberation take the mud out of the road-side ditches if indeed the way is ditched at all, and plaster the same on the centre of the road. A plough is brought into requisition, which destroys the best part of the road, which is partly grassed and brush-grown, and the soft mass is heaped up in the central parts of the way. The sloughs or cradle-holes are made with this material or perhaps a little brush and mud are heaped in, making a very frail support for the wheels of a horse or two to be consumed at noon by lunch and a further discussion of public and private affairs. A little work is done in the afternoon and at the end of the day the road-making is abandoned until the next year."

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Clay roads can only be made into satisfactory ways by means of effective drainage. Deep side ditches are absolutely necessary for such roads, and the narrower the roadway the more effective will be this drainage work."

"To effect any satisfactory solution of the difficulties which beset such roads it is necessary, however, either to construct an artificial surface of timber or of stone, which is always a matter of great cost, or to mingle some hard material with the clay."

"We come now to the type of roadway which should be constructed wherever the culture and condition of the country permit the expenditure of a considerable amount of money on its main carriage-ways—a construction commonly known as the macadam."

The essential feature of all such ways consists in the substitution of a compact mass of stony matter in place of one of ordinary soil. When properly built they so far spare the expense of reconstruction as in many cases to be, in the long run, more economical than clay roads. All macadamized roads should be double; on one side covered with stone, on the other having the ordinary foundation of the soil. If the soil is kept in fair repair, it will be preferred by sensible farmers for more than half the year in all regions, and in many sections of the country for more than three-fourths of the time. In preparing such a way care should be taken, where possible, to remove the whole of the soil proper in order to secure a foundation on the subsoil, which, having escaped in the main the action of roots, as well as the disorganizing effect of roots, is firmer than the over soil. Founded on hard-poor or subsoil, it is commonly possible to make a tolerably permanent road by placing the bed in a layer of from eight to 12 inches of broken limestone, or, what is better, a less thickness of broken shale. The fragments should, if possible, in all cases, be of a somewhat lumpy nature, for in such material a process of natural cementation goes on whereby the mass soon becomes very firm. If possible, the interstices should also be filled with powdered or flake-broken limestone, not with sand, which does not add much to the firmness of the way. Where the soil is a strong layer of soil is not very compact, it is in almost all cases advantageous to lay a floor of flat stones, like a loose pavement, and upon this to place the true macadam or broken bits of rock material."

"The character of the vehicles which are used upon a roadway has a great influence upon its endurance to the beat of the wheels. With the same burden a two-wheeled cart does far more damage to the road than one of four wheels, and this because of the suddenness in the motion of the wheels and the irregular twisting movement in the trackway. The greatest defect of our American carriages is that for a given weight of carriage and burden the wheels are so small, and so tremendously narrow, that they are extremely narrow and muddy roads a narrow wheel-tread is advantageous for the reason that the thick mud has less extended hold when it wraps around the fellows and spokes, but in this arrangement the interests of the roadway are sacrificed to the convenience of the individual who rides upon it. These narrow wheels, with tires often not more than an inch in diameter, cut like knives into the road bed and so deepen the ruts. If we could require that no vehicle should have a tire less than an inch and a half in diameter, and that all springless carriages should have tires at least two inches in diameter, increasing in width with the burden, we would secure our ways against a considerable part of the evils from which they suffer."

A RHINEBROCK VIEW. [From the Rhinebeck Gazette.]

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The Signs of the Times. [From the Hudson Republican.]

The signs of the times are propitious. This is particularly true in the building activity displayed in many places. In some vicinity towns there is a variable building boom. You can roam the continent over and find few better places to live in than this section of New-York State. So let the houses go up, and with every one leave room for an addition.

FRIDAY, OCT. 4.

Our Bargain Day in Curtains and Curtain Poles.

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On and after Thursday, September 19, 1889, steamer Mary Powell will leave Rondout at 6 A. M. Returning will leave Vestry-street, 315 P. M. of twenty-second street, 3:30 P. M. On Saturdays will leave one hour earlier. Last trip of the season, Saturday, October 19.

JUST RECEIVED.

A very pretty line of Dress Shirts and Neckwear.

LOW PRICES TO EVERYBODY

at Pitt's Golden Rule Bazaar, the always reliable bargain store, 35 North-Front-street. See our new stock of oil paintings, chromo-photograph and picture frames at astonishingly low prices. Picture frames to order cheap. See our new oil stove, the best and cheapest made. Towels and housekeeping goods at bargain prices. Our goods are all serviceable, clean and new. Call and see them.

TOBIN'S KING BREAD

Takes the lead. Leave your order and it will be delivered free of charge. Store open at 5 A. M. T. P. Tobin, 36 Union-avenue.

Emerson's Albumenoid Food for children.

DIED.

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FUNERAL—Tuesday, Oct.

CITY HAPPENINGS AND CHAT.

BITS OF NEWS, STORIES AND SOME HUMOR AND GOSSIP.

People who Made the Most of the Fine Weather of Sunday—Cases of Diphtheria, And Some Rules and Suggestions—The Female Horse Association—Deductions, Etc.

Sunday was one of the few perfect days experienced in this portion of the country during a year that has been fraught with peril and disaster on land and sea from frequent storms of rain and wind. In making the most of the fine weather people seemed to forget all about the havoc to fruit and grain crops, and gave themselves to the full enjoyment of the cloudless skies and a pure atmosphere. The frequent rains have kept much of the foliage and grasses green, and there was but little to remind the observer of Nature's preparations for the approach of a long Northern winter. The streets were filled with promenaders and church-goers. Many wandered their way to woods and fields and to the many high hills in and near this City, which are so justly celebrated for the extended views obtainable thereon. The air was so clear that objects at a great distance were brought out clear and distinct. In the early morning hours bicyclists stole out of town with their wheels for runs on country roads and canoists out on the bosom of the Hudson where their tiny crafts appeared like specks to observers on shore. The little passenger yachts playing along the Rondout Creek and Hudson River were eagerly patronized. Old people and children were enabled to take long walks without apparent fatigue. The attendance at divine service was large and ministers preached eloquent sermons. Taken all in all the delightful weather of yesterday made amends for the many unpleasant days experienced during a September, which will be notable for rain, winds and general cloudiness.

New cases of diphtheria are reported. The Health Physician says he has been notified that the fifteen-year-old daughter of Frederick Fry, on St. Mary's street, and a member of the family of Israel Rongoux at Kingston Point are ill with the disease. Meanwhile every one should bear in mind—

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Moon's first quarter to-morrow evening. For to-morrow rain is promised.

[Other local news on page 4.]

THE LOCAL SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

A Large Tow Comes Into Port—Coal Tonnage at Tidewater, Etc.

The *Poughkeepsie Eagle* says: Captain A. L. Anderson, the former owner and for so long a time Captain of the steamer *Mary Powell*, is now on a short visit to his former home at Rondout. On Saturday evening he boarded his private steamer at Newburgh, where he was met by an *Eagle* reporter. The veteran Captain is the perfect glow of health. He is as vigorous as ever, and while walking the decks of the boat he looked as natural as ever. Captain Anderson's residence is at Newburgh, California. The veteran Captain is to take command of the *Powell* for two days this week.

One of the largest tows this season arrived here yesterday in the wake of the propeller *J. C. Hart* and steamboat *McDonald*. There were 50 boats and barges and the schooners *Florence*, *Shay*, *A. K. Woodward*, *Oliver Branch*, *Adams*, *Bowly*, *A. H. Peary* and *Rightaway* for Rondout; *Wosconi*, for Saugerties; *Laconia*, for Athens, and *Jennie Greenback*, for Albany.

There were reported at the Rondout Department of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company to-day the following vessels for cargo: Coal: *Barges* Union, 250 tons; *Compton*, 290; *Van Zile*, 270; *M. Smith*, 280; *E. J. Barker*, 190; *Sutton*, 260; *L. M. Conklin*, 1,050; *J. L. Breyfogle*, 235; two *Eric* boats, 110 each.

The whistle of the steamer "City of Kingston" was blown at the mouth of the Rondout Creek at 7 o'clock on Saturday night.

There arrived at tidewater at Edenville Saturday 22 Delaware & Hudson Canal boats laden with 3,000 tons of coal.

The boat *Mary* is on Baisden's dry-dock. Mr. Baisden has sold the boat *Sentinel*.

The iron hull schooner *Red Wing* is being loaded with stone at Wilbur.

Kingston Philharmonic Society.

The first regular rehearsal of the Kingston Philharmonic Society for the autumn season will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Professor George F. Hulslander, of Boston will take charge of the rehearsal. Tickets of membership will be ready for distribution on payment of the required fee. The membership roll shows that this dignified and progressive musical association has come to stay. As will be seen by perusal of the partial list of active members, published in this Freeman a few evenings ago, nearly all the best musical talent of the City is already enrolled for the present season's work. The list will be kept open a few days longer and after a certain date, to be fixed by the management, no more active members will be received this year. Honorary member's tickets, however, may be obtained at any time.

Poles Caught Stealing.

Last night three Poles broke into the Brewster's Ice Company's tool house at Edenville. While in the act of carrying off a number of pike-poles they were surprised by Frank Haber. He tried to detain them, but being unable to cope with them they got away, one minus his hat. John Neidlinger, Superintendent of the Company, notified Deputy Sheriff Riggins, who arrested two fellows, answering the description given by Haber, in the woods near by. The men begged to be let go and the Deputy Sheriff says that in order to obtain more proof he accepted "a bribe" of \$10. The officer then tracked the men to their houses in Rondout, arrested them and took them to the Ulster County Jail.

In Recorder's Court To-day.

Christopher McCuen, charged with larceny from the person, was committed to jail by James E. A. Delawar & Hudson Canal, testified that last April McCuen stole \$120 from his boat. Deputy Sheriff Glennon arrested the prisoner recently in Troy. McCuen was held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Stephen Scherger, disorderly conduct, 10 days in the Ulster County Jail. Scherger is the man who the Grand Jury failed to find an indictment against for alleged larceny.

Boys named James Ingalls and John Donnelly were arraigned for disorderly conduct. The boys promised to behave themselves. Discharged.

The Death Record.

Archibald McMillan received word to-day that his eldest sister, Mrs. Mary Marks, daughter of the late Donald McMillan, had died in Washington. The deceased was a number of years had been employed in the Government printing office.

Yesterday Dinan Jane Thorp, aged 40 years, died at her home in Port Ewen. The funeral will be at the M. E. Church there to-morrow afternoon.

The Rev. D. L. Marks, a superannuated Methodist minister, well known in Ulster County, died recently of softening of the brain at Dobbs Ferry.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of the Holy Spirit will make an excursion to New York City on the *Mary Powell* on Wednesday.

The members of Wiltwyck Hose Company on their visit to Middletown on October 10 will be accompanied by a large number of friends.

A picnic is being held by Kingston Hose Company's running team.

Amusements Here.

The "Si Perkins" Comedy Company will be on the boards at Kingston Opera House to-morrow evening. The company has been here half a dozen times during the past three years, and has always been greeted with crowded houses. The band has been enlarged.

The Peck's Bad Boy Company will give a performance at Liscomb's Opera House on October 4.

More Fish Stories Told.

A daughter of S. J. Morris, of Montgomery, caught a black bass in the Walkkill one day recently. The fish weighed five pounds and was 20 inches in length.

When Dr. Kitchin gets through with "pot fishermen" on the Walkkill he should look after the violators of the fish laws in the Esopus and Rondout Creeks.

A Boy Injured.

On Sunday a 14-year-old son of Joseph Lasch found a dynamite cartridge. With a damning needle the boy proceeded "to see what it was." An explosion followed. Drs. C. W. Crispell and Stiepel found it necessary to amputate the thumb and two fingers on Lasch's left hand.

Personal.

The Right Rev. William Parrot, of Baltimore, Bishop of Maryland, will officiate at the Livingston-Smith wedding in St. John's Church to-morrow.

Hon. C. Meach Woolsey, of Milton, was in town to-day.

Artist Jervis McEntee has started for "the wilderness" in Maine.

Real Estate Notes.

On Saturday Lawrence Kitchner purchased of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company a small strip of ground on the corner of Abel and Bayne streets.

Charles F. Heldon has purchased a building lot in North Rondout.

Republican Ward Caucuses.

The Republican City Committee has decided upon October 11 as the time for holding ward caucuses, at which delegates to the Republican County Convention will be elected.

Taken to Prison.

Sheriff Dill and Deputy Sheriff C. D. Westbrook started last night for Dannemora with Prisoners William Chester, Elmer Courtneyman, John Raymond and William Galloway.

Prohibition Convention.

An effort will be made by Ulster County Prohibitionists to hold a Convention at the Court House here Wednesday.

HUDSON RIVER RIPPLES BY MAIL, ETC.

News on the East and West Banks of the Hudson and Inland.

Justice J. O. Dykman, at White Plains, has given a decision changing the place of trial of the suit of *Andrew Wightman*, an ex-convict, against *Warden Brush* and *Principal Keeper Connaughton*, of Sing Sing Prison, from Kings County to Westchester County. Wightman asks for \$10,000 damages for injury to his health from being confined in a dark cell. He was suspected of assisting in the escape of Henry Stewart, a convict who went out of the prison in a laundry-box on May 27, 1887. Stewart was found in the *Journal* Prison recently. Last week his term there expired and he was turned over to the New York City authorities.

The new gunboat *Yorktown* will come to West Point on Wednesday to convey the delegates to the Central and South-American Congress from that place to New York City.

"The Dutchess County Hunt" will meet on October 5, at Hyde Park; October 13 at the toll of Teller's Hotel midway between Poughkeepsie and Hyde Park.

There will be a series of sweepstakes at Keystone targets on the grounds of the Sing Sing Gun Club on Wednesday. Five sets of traps will be used.

No fee will be charged for the Athens houses this fall. To fill those houses alone during the coming winter will give 2,000 men 15 days' labor.

Mrs. Goldsmith, of Howell's Depot, Orange County, celebrated her one hundredth birthday the other day.

Mark Wilber, of Clinton Hollow, Dutchess County, aged 70, died from Friday of the effects of a fall.

Dr. G. E. Benson, one of the oldest practitioners in Hudson, has retired from the profession.

On Liberty-street, Middletown, there are 11 persons whose united ages amount to 830 years.

The Walden Firemen's parade will be held on Saturday.

It is reported the paper mill property of A. S. Schoonmaker, at Nanpoch, has been purchased by parties who are negotiating for water rights in that section.

The Drama of "Bill Jones the Union Scout," will be presented under the auspices of Ward Post, G. A. R., of Ellenville, on October 15, 16 and 17.

It is now said that the four lads injured at Highland by the explosion of a small cannon, a few days ago, will recover.

Ponderous parties are being prepared for a retreat of the Bruyn-Dewitt case in the courts of this County.

A game of ball will soon be played at Ellenville between the Hanleys and the Cuban Giants.

The annual conference on Indian affairs will be held at the Lake Mohonk House this week.

A. D. Smith, of Sidney, was recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever, when he was thrown into a relapse by smoking cigars. He is now an inmate of the Middletown Insane Asylum.

It is said that 2,500 car loads of bluestone have been shipped from the town of Hancock during 1889, the value of which was \$200,000.

Schoharie County.

John Keltz, of Pleasant Valley, killed a bittern one day recently by hitting it with the head with a stone. The bird measured three feet, eight inches from tip to tip of wing.

Silver has been discovered on the Schoharie Creek near Blenheim.

News by villages received from correspondents of THE FREEMAN to-day follows:

Newtown.

The remains of Mrs. Simon Osterhout, an aged and much respected citizen of Millhook, were interred in the cemetery at this place last week.

The Rev. J. Forsyth, of Port Jackson, held a special service in the school house on Sunday.

Edenville.

The recent revival meetings at St. Remy were largely attended by people from this village.

The last large load of ice from the Brewster house was shipped on Saturday.

Saugerties.

The work of macadamizing Ulster-avenue is in progress. It will be completed in about 30 days if the weather is favorable.

There is much "pot fishing" and "pot hunting" in this town.

Esopus.

C. L. Riker manufactures unfemurated wine from grapes. Steam power is used. The wine is put in bottles hot. There is much loss from breakage.

Nanpoch.

Rum holes and beer saloons here are kept open on Sundays. Drunken men are frequently seen on the streets.

New-Paltz.

The demand for fruit packages is large. Cross walks in this village should be relaid.

Don't Hear Everything!

[From Treasure Trove.]

The art of not hearing should be learned by all. It is fully as important to domestic happiness as a cultivated ear, for which so much money and time are expended. There are so many things which are painful to hear, many which we ought not to hear, very many which, if heard, will disturb the temper, corrupt simplicity and modesty, detract from contentment and happiness, that every one should be educated to take in or shut out sounds according to his pleasure.

A Fine Hat 1491.

[From the Stamford Mirror.]

It is quite the fashion for Stamford youths who have been absent from town for a few years, to return home wearing plug hats, making their grandmas believe they belong to the swell society of the earth. For all it looks rather vain, it is much better than coming home with a whiskey bottle in their valise and no money in pocket. We always are glad to hear of our boys doing well in the world and making life a success, but they must remember that genuine worth and ability is not always to be found under a plug hat, but it would look a little more sensible to see the boys come marching home under a plain, common derby.

Concerning Fairs.

The fair of the Kingston Young Men's Christian Association will be opened in the rooms on Wall-street at 10 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Supper will be served in the evening from 5 to 9 o'clock. Many useful and fancy articles will be offered for sale.

The coming fair of Weiner Hose Company exercises interest among the friends of the Company. It will be held in the Academy of Music.

The fair of Franklin Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be held soon.

The Corner Larder Notice.

Now the Recorder has said that corner loafers "must go," street rowdies had better look out.

CONCERNING HIGHWAYS.

THE USE OF WIDE TIRES ALWAYS INSURES GOOD ROADS.

Interests of Certain Roadways Sacrificed to the Convenience of Individuals—Narrow Wheels Cut Life Knives—Loads on Vehicles and Widths of Tires Considered.

The road-making and wide-tire questions are still leading topics of conversation in this City and throughout Ulster County generally. The following is part of an article by W. S. Shaler in *Scribner's Magazine* for October.

"I propose in the following pages to take up the most important ways of commerce, viz., the ordinary roads. The United States as a whole remains less provided with such means of communication than any other area of equal general culture in the world. The difference between the road-making motive of the New-England, accustomed to the strong government of the road system, and of those from the Virginia group of states, who are bred under the weak communal system of the County organization, is perhaps better shown in the matter of roadways than in any other feature of the social life. At the present time in New-England there is scarcely a single toll road, except it be where, as in the White Mountains, ways have been constructed for pleasure travel alone. On the other hand, in Kentucky and the other states which have inherited their theories of life from Virginia, there are no good ways which are really the property of the public."

"In most rural districts of the United States the common roads are built and maintained in the most ignorant and inefficient manner. In no other phase of public duties does the American citizen appear to be so disinclined as in the construction of roads. The voting part of the population is summoned each year to give one or two days to working out the road tax. The busy people and those who are forbidden their necessary means of money; but the most of the population find it more convenient to attend the annual road-making picnic in person. Theoretically the gangs of men are under the supervision of a roadmaster. More commonly some elder of the multitude is by common consent absolved from personal labor and made Superintendent of Operations."

"Arriving on the ground long after the usual time of beginning work the road-makers proceed to discuss the general question of road-making and other matters of public concern, until slow-acting conscience convinces them that they should be about their task. They then with much deliberation take the mud out of the road-side ditches if indeed the way is ditched at all, and plaster the same on the centre of the road. A roadmaster is brought into requisition, which destroys the best part of the road, that which is partly grassed and brush-grown, and the soft mass is heaped up in the central parts of the way. The shingles or cracks-holes are filled with this material or perhaps a little brush may be cut and heaped in, making a very frail support for the wheels. An hour or two is consumed on moon day by lunch and a further discussion of public and private affairs. A little work is done in the afternoon and at the end of the day the road-making is abandoned until the next year."

"If we take the manifold expenses of our country ways, if we count at the same time the mere social disadvantages which they bring to the people, it is probable that the sum of road tax in this country is greater than that of our ordinary taxation. Clay roads can only be made into satisfactory ways by means of effective drainage. Deep side ditches are absolutely necessary for such roads, and the roadway the roadway the more effective will be this drainage work."

"To effect any satisfactory solution of the difficulties which beset such roads it is necessary, however, either to construct an artificial surface of timber or of stone, which is always a matter of great cost, or to mingle some binding materials with the clay."

"We come now to the type of roadway which should be constructed wherever the culture and condition of the country permit the expenditure of a considerable amount of money on its main carriageways—a construction commonly known as the turnpike. The essential feature of all such ways consists in the substitution of a compact mass of stony matter in place of one of ordinary soil. When properly built they so far spare the expenses of reconstruction as in many cases to be, in the long run, more economical than clay roads. All macadamized roads should be double; on one side covered with stone, on the other having the ordinary foundation of soil. If the roadway is kept in fair repair, it will be preferred by agile teamsters for more than half the year in all regions, and in many sections of the country for more than three-fourths of the time. In preparing such ways care should be taken, where possible to remove the whole of the soil prior to order to secure a foundation on the subsoil, which, having escaped in the main the action of frost, as well as the disintegrating effect of roots, is firmer than the over soil. Founded on hard-pan or subsoil, it is commonly possible to make a tolerably permanent road by placing upon the bed a layer of from eight to 12 inches of broken limestone, or what is better, a less thickness of broken shale. The fragments should, if possible, in all cases, be of a somewhat limy nature, for in such a case the process of natural cementation goes on whereby the mass soon becomes very firm. If possible, the interspaces should also be filled with powdered or finely-broken limestone, not with sand, which usually does not add much to the firmness of the way. Where the underlying layer of soil is not very compact, it is in almost all cases advantageous to lay a floor of flat stones, like a loose pavement, and upon this to place the true macadam or broken bits of rock material."

"The character of the vehicles which are used upon a roadway has a great influence upon its endurance to the best of the wheels. With the same burden a two-wheeled cart does far more damage to the road than one of four wheels, and this because of the suddenness in the motion of the wheels and their irregular twisting movement. The trackway. The greatest defect of our American carriages is that for a given weight of carriage and burden the tires of the wheels are extremely narrow. It is true that on ill-conditioned and muddy roads a narrow wheel tread is advantageous for the reason that the thick mud has less extended hold on the wheels, and the wheels are less likely to slip; but with this advantage the evils of the roadway are sacrificed to the convenience of the individual who drives upon it. These narrow wheels, with tires often not more than an inch in diameter, cut life knives into the road bed and so deepen the ruts. If we could require that no vehicle should have a tire less than an inch and a half in diameter, and that all springless carriages should have tires at least two inches in diameter, increasing in width with the burden, we would secure our ways against a considerable part of the evils from which they suffer."

A RHINEBROCK VIEW.

[From the Rhinebeck Gazette.]

THE KINGSTON FREEMAN, always bright with timely and suggestive topics, reminds its readers that the question of road-making should now be the absorbing topic with people residing in this country. The *Poughkeepsie Eagle* apparently thinks that people in the City should also bestir themselves and improve the highways over which they ride, so that the topic is one of interest both in country and city. "Not how to work, but how to work with the least possible exertion."

THE FREEMAN says, "but how to work to the best advantage in the earnest desire to have at least one good road through each town." That is the idea exactly.

The Signs of the Times.

[From the Hudson Republican.]

The signs of the times are propitious. This is particularly true in the building activity displayed in many places. In some vicinity there is a veritable building boom. You can roam the continent over and find few better places to live in than this section of New York State. So let the houses go up, and with every one leave room for an addition.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

OUR KID GLOVE STOCK.

Was never so complete as now, consisting of Tans, Grays and Browns in both dressed and suede, in Mosquitae, button and hard. Sturgeon & Leete.

ELECTRIC LIGHT NOTICE.

On and after September 25, 1889, the installation of Incandescent Lighting, charges will be made for Labor and Material. Previous to that time No Charge will be made for the same. Kingston Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, per D. H. Levitt.

FOR SALE.

For one week only, a Parlor Suit covered with Rep. and Bed Room Suits, also Body Brussels Carpet and other articles of furniture by Mrs. A. E. DeGroot, 33 Pierpont-street.

MORLEY'S FINE BLACK HOBBERY.

A new lot of Children's Caps and Sackies, Ribbons, Ruching and Collars. Sturgeon & Leete.

T. P. Tobin has placed in his place of business a handsome brick oven. He is now placed in a position to serve each and every family with fresh bread, rolls, pies and cake every day. King Bread is his leader. Try it and be convinced that it is the bread.

P. S. Goods delivered in any part of the City free of charge. T. P. Tobin, 36 Union-avenue.

Well, well, that King Bread of Tobin's beats anything in this line I have ever tried. When out of bread try a loaf. T. P. Tobin, 36 Union-avenue.

FRIDAY, OCT. 4.

Our Bargain Day in Curtains and Curtain Poles. Sturgeon & Leete.</